WASHINGTON CITY: FRIDAY..... FEBRUARY 3, 1865.

BO READING MATTER ON EVERY PAGE SEE OUTSIDE FOR INTERESTING TELE-

GRAPHIC AND OTHER MATTER. THE PEACE DEPUTATION. We learn from parties who arrived here last night from City Point via Annapolis, that on Tuesday the rebel deputation were at City Point, on the steamer Mary Martin, General Grant's dispatch boat, awaiting orders from

Washington. President Lincoln arrived at Annapolis at one o'clock yesterday, and left at two in the steamer Thomas Collyer, for Fortress Monroe where it was expected he would arrive at an early hour this morning.

THE EXPLOSION AT FORT PISHER. We have before us some specimens of the wire leading from Fort Fisher to Fort Caswell, and by means of which the rebels blew up the magazine at Fort Fisher after its occupation by our troops, resulting in such serious loss of

There were two wires, one insulated with gutta percha covering, and the other with what appears to be carchutouc, wrapped spirally with strips of cotton cloth and coated with tar. With its surroundings the wire is about the size of a

Colonel George R Latham, of the 6th West Virginia cavalry, has been dismissed from the service of the United States, on the finding of a court-martial, for allowing the post of New Creek, West Virginia to be surprised by rebel raiders some time ago, and its garrison captured. PROMOTED.

DISMISSED.

Capt. Smith, A. Q. M., for some time connected with the Chief Quartermaster Depart. ment of Washington, has been assigned to the headquarters of Gen. Harding's division, 22d army corps, occupying defenses north of the Potomac, with the rank of Major.

PERSONAL.-Brig. Gen. Chamberlain and Brevet Brig. Gen. Dennison, of the Army of the Potomac, have gone home on sick leaves. Capts. Winslow and Haskins, brigade quartermasters 5th army corps, have been ordered to Savannah. Capt. Marvine, A. A. G., headquarters 5th

army corps, has resigned.

Brevet Brig Gen. Morris is in command of the Middle Department during the temporary absence of Maj. Gen. Wallace. Maj. Gen. Cook has been relieved from the presidency of the military commission in Baltimore, and Col. Ross assigned to his position

GOVERNMENT COAL DOCK .- In order to obviate the necessity of sending Government vessels to Alexandria to coal, after their arrival bere, a large coal dock is being erected at the foot of Sixth street, which will be completed in a few days, and will be a great conventence to beatmen

SEVEN-THIRTY LOAN -It is announced that five per cent. legal tender notes will be received by Jay Cooke, general subscription agent, in payment of subscriptions to the seventhirty loan, with all accrued interest to date of receipt by him.

SHERMAN'S MOVEMENTS .- A correspondent writes from Savannah:

"The regular winter rain set in about a week ago, and a vast amount of water has fallen since. In order to get troops out of Savanuan in any direction, except towards the sea, pontoons and stilts are necessary. Between Savan-nah and the South Carolina shore there is a wast lake, the flat land being four feet under water along the Union cause way, or Hardeeville road, for three miles. After we leave clear water we strike mud and water five hundred per cent. worse than ever was dreamed of in Virginia. The sun has shown himself this morning, and since the soil dries easily, the movement which the rebels expect as well as we do may not be long deferred."

FINANCIAL.-From yesterday's New York Commercial: The gold market is more settled. The opera tors have no expectation that peace will result from the present negotiations, the apparently irreconcilable differences between the two sides rendering such a result beyond hepe. This feeling is reflected in the price of goin, which is at about the same figure as before the negotiations were seriously thought of.

The stock market is dull, from a lack of disposition to operate pending the peace negotiations. There is, however, no general failure.

tions. There is, however, no general failure of confidence, and prices are steady throughout the list The cliques are quiet, and transactions most regular. Governments are quiet Sixes of '81 closed

at 109%; Five-twenties at 109; Ten-forces at 100%, and Certificates at 98. Money is in good supply, with a slight in-crease in the demand. The rates of discount Exchange is dull. The supply greatly exceeds the demand, and rates are irregular.

THE FIVE-TWENTIES .- The N. Y. Evening Post says: The old five-twenties, it will be observed.

are selling at rates I per cent. above those of The principal reason for the preference given to the old bonds is, perhaps, to be found in the fact that they are so well known abroad that foreign brokers refuse to regard the new bonds

as a good delivery. Another reason, doubtless, is that the old bonds are almost all in the hands of investors, and being thus absorbed, and firmly held, very few find their way into the market for sale. The supply being thus restricted, while the demand is increasing, the price of course has a tendency to rise. The price of course has a tendency to rise. The new five-twenties, on the contrary, are largely held at present by capitalists who have bought them in large quantities to sell again at a profit. The supply is consequently kept fully adequate, and is sometimes in temporary danger of exceeding the demand. Hence the price is rather depressed. It is, however, important for investors to remember that the new fivetwenties, though at present the cheaper securi-ties, are intrinsically more valuable than are the old bonds. And this in two respects: First, the new bonds offer a longer investment-they have two years longer to run, falling due in 1884, while the old bonds fall due in 1882; and, secondly, the law expressly promises that the principal of the new bonds shall be redeemed in specie, while there is as yet no positive stipulation as to specie redemption in regard to the old bonds. Under the influence of these and similar considerations, the new five-twenties will hereafter be likely to rise in popular

The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin was sold Wednesday afternoon at auction for \$89,600. It was purchased in the interest of its former proprietors, J. S. Chambers and Col.

Cummings retiring. Major General Degget and Brigadier General McCullum arrived in New York Wednesday from Savannah.

On the 27th ult, a fire broke out in Savannah, destroying two squares. A keg of powder was found at the side of the arsenal under circumstances that led to the belief that the fire was the work of tebel incendiaries. Three rebel vessels, the Vulture, Lark,

and Wren are at Havana, fitting, out, it is believed, for piratical expeditions [] A poor family in Savannah has fallen heir to a fortune of seven millions dollars.

Three national iron-clad vessels are now stationed at the mouth of Red river, to frus-trate any attempts at a raid down that stream and the Mississippi which the rebels may design making.

The total casualties in General Terry's army in the fight at Fort Fisher were six hundred and ninety-one. Of these eleven officers and seventy-seven men were killed, thirtynine officers and four hundred and seventy. two men wounded, and ninety two men miss-

The Senate Military Committee have now eleven bundred and fifty-four nomina. tions before them to be acted upon, from Major Gererals down to Lieutenants.

The sum of \$16,425 has already been subscribed in Boston for a statue of the late Edward Everett.

It is asserted that Spain will demand of Pern indemnity to the amount of fifteen million francs.

Dan'i S. Norton, the Senator elect from Minnesota, who will succeed Mr. Wilkinson, will be one of the youngest members of that body, being about thirty-five years of age. I'be earnings of the Great Western Railroad (Canada) for the second week in 1865 were ten thousand seven hundred dollars less

bad faith and the passport system. A bounty jumper who had been arrested and heavily troned at Galloupis Island, N. Y., a few cays since relieved himself of his manacles by means of a key passed into his mouth from the lips of a young girl who obtained permission to see him in the presence of an officer. and kiseed him at parting.

than in the second week in 1864. So much for

THE PEACE MOVEMENT. Arrival of Rebel Commissioners-Movements of the President.

[Correspondence of the Baltimore American.] ANNAPOLIS. Feb. 2.—Passengers by the steam boat Lady Lang, which arrived here this moraing, from City Point at noon on Wednesday, state that Mesers. Stepnens of Ga., Hunter of Va , and Campbell of Ala., the commissioners from the Richmond Government, were at City Point, on board the steamer Henry Martin. Gen. Grant's despatch boat, awaiting the arrival of an escort to Washington, probably Secretary Seward, who, as you are aware, left here yesterday at one o'clock, and who, no doubt, arrived at City Point this (Thursday) morning. They may be awaiting the arrival of some one competent to judge of their claims to represent the Confederacy before permission will be accorded them to proceed to the National Capital. The greatest excitement existed at City Point in relation to the mission of the rebel representatives, and great anxiety was manifested to see them, but they studiously avoided publicity, keeping closely on board the Martin.

President Lincoln Goes to the Front. After the above paragraph was written, his Excellency the President of the United States arrived in Annapolis, entirely unannounced, and without any ostentatious ceremony whatever, but, like the Lemocratic Republican that he is, he quietly proceeded to the Naval Academy, where he embarked on the steamer Thomas Collyer, and proceeded, I suppose, to City Point. He was accompanied only by a ervant. So quiet and unobtrusive was his arrival and departure from the ancient city that scarcely a score knew of it until after the steamboat sailed.

FROM THE SOUTH. Lee's Army on "Pe ce" Prospects-Their Joy and Exultation-Response of the Yankee" Troops-The "Tallahassee" not Destroyed.

The Richmond Dispatch of Tuesday, Jan. 31, contains the following: Messrs. Stephens. Hunter, and Campbell, the Confederate peace commissioners, who left here on Sunday morning for Washington city, stopped Sunday night in Petersburg, whence they went through the lines to City Point yesterday morning. They left our lines on Gen'l Bushred Johnson's front. As they were making the transit, their character, and the object of their mission became known, when our troops sent up such a cheering as never was heard before, and continued it till the commis-sioners were out of sight, and well within the Yankee lines, when the clamor was immediately caught up by the Yankee troops, who heered and hurrahed until they were hoarse. Amidst these deafening shouts of armies the commissioners went on their way. The next we hear of them will be through the Yankee

"Gold yesterday was stiff at forty-five The enemy's newspapers have talsely re-ported the Tallahassee as captured. She ran into New Inlet just after the capture of Fort Fisher, when, discovering that some important change, he knew not what, had occurred in the military situation, her commander, Captain Maffit, put to sea, and made good his escape. He touched the South Carolina coast, and put ashore a messenger with despatches, who has reached this city.

"The news, if any, brought by this messen-ger, has not been made public."

THE JOURNEYMEN CORD WAINERS are hereby notified to meet at Temp rance E street, between 9th and 10th, on MONDAY. th February, 1865. By order of Secrectary.
feb 3 2t*
S. P. KAIN.

FRED'K L. HARVEY is announced as a candidate for the Board of Common Council at the special election February 6, 1865, to fill the vacancy in the delegation from the Third Ward caused by the death of Jas, Skirving. fe3 2t MANY VOTERS

THE ENROLLMENT LISTS WILL BE MONDAY MORNING. TO NIGHT and TO-MORROW only remain for itizens enrolled to report to the headquarters of their respective Wards.

Let the citizens be prompt in this matter

RICHARD WALLACH, President.

F. U STITT, Gen Sec. CLAM CHOWDER, OVSTERS, &c., BVERY EVENING, at ANDERSON'S, the old 'Ruby' 347 Pennsylvania avenue, opposite the Metropolitan. 1eb 2 3t* SATTENTION, COURTH WARD.

There will be a Mr. Meeting of the citizens of the Fourth Ward at the City Hall on FRIDAY BVENING. February 3d. at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of forming an Exemption Club. fe 2 xt [Chron.]

There will be a public temperance meeting held at Odd Fellows' Hall, Navy Yard, on FRIDAY BVENING, Feb. 3d, at 7 o'clock, under the auspices of Eagle Tent, No. 299, L. O. of Rechabites. Several distinguished speakers will address the meeting, and an excellent quartette will furnish the singing. The public are cordially invited.

GRACE CHURCH. (MEY. ALFEED HOLMEAD, RECTOR.) AT ISLAND HALL, Corner Virginia Avenue and Sixth street, (one square from Seventh street Cars.) Open on THURSDAY NIGHT, February 2d, 1865. (TABLEAUX BACH NIGHT.)

Sesson Tickets, \$1. Entrance at door, 20 cents; Children, half price.
The Tableaux have been gotten up with great taste and care, and at great expense, and promise to be most interesting and successful. They will number some 45 or 50 during the Fair. feb 1-2w THE NEW PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR children residing in the Third and Fourth wards, above M street, are now open in the building on 9th street, between P and Q. For admission apply at the school at 9 o'clock a. m., or to M H MILLER, WM J RHES, O. C. WIGHT, fe 1-3t Trustees Second District.

TO THE VOTERS OF THE THIRD WARD CHARLES P. WANNALL will be supported by the voters of the Third Ward for the Common Council, at the special election to be held on the 6th of February. MANY VOTERS.

THE LADIES OF WESLEY CHAPEL will hold a Festival in the Lecture Room of the Chapel, corner 5th and F streets, THIS (Monday) EVENING, Jap. 30. The object of this Festival is to provide funds to enlarge the outlets and refit the church convenient. the church generally.

A large supply of fancy articles and an abundance of refreabments will be constantly on hand.

No radiing or games of chance in any form will be tolerated. Gentlemen and ladies visiting the Festival may be sure of spending a pleasant evening.

NOTICE —A SPECIAL ELECTION WILL
be held on MONDAY, February 6th, at the
house of Mr. Hoyle, northeast corner of M and
9th streets, First Precinct of the Third Ward, for
one Member of the Common Council, to fill the
vacancy cccasioned by the death of Jas Skirving,

JAMES M TOWERS,

G. W. LARNER
BAMUEL E. TYSON.

ja 28-td

Commissioners.

Ladies, 50 cents.

Season Tickets, admitting a Gentleman and

THIRD WARD-SECOND PRECINCY.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Notice is here by given to the voters of the Third Ward that an election will be held on Monday, the 6th day of February next, for one member of the Board of Common Council from said ward to the board of Common Council from said ward to the board of Common Council from said ward to the board of Common Council from said ward to the board of Council from said wa fill the vacancy occasioned by the dec ase of James

Skirving. Esq.

Polls will be opened at the office of John S. Hollingshead. corner of 8th and E streets, from 7 o'clock a. m. to 7 p. m.

JAMES MANKIN, CHAS. F. WO.D.

WILLIAM ORME,

Commissioners. WATER RENTS.

City Hall, January 14, 1835.

All occupants of premises where the Aqueduct Water is taken will please take notice.—That the Water Rent for the year ending January 1st, 1856, is now due to the Corporation of Washington, and payable at this office. If not paid prior to the 15th day of February, the water will be shut off at the earliest practicable day thereafter, without further notice, and not res'ored until full payment of rent shall have been made, and two dollars expenses of shutting off and restoring.

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RANDOLPH COYLE. Water Begistrar. DEPOT FOR KID GLOVES.

COURVOISIER'S, ALEXANDRE'S. BAJOU'S, JOUVIN'S.

Full stock on hand, for sale at POPULAR PRICES. JOB. J. MAY & CO., 308 Pennsylvania avenue, feb 3-2tif between 9th and 10th s's.

HAIR DRESSING. MR. H. PHILLIPPI, HAIR DRESSER,

from Paris, will Dress Ladies' Hair during the day and evening, at M. WILLIAN'S. fe 2-1m 336 Pennsylvania avenue. CARRIAGES, CARRIAGES, CARRIAGES.

On hand, a fine assortment of new and second-hand Light Carriages, such as Buggies, Bockaways, Extension and Half-tops, Jersey Wagons, &c. &c.; all of the best make and finish. Old Carriages taken Repairing promptly attended to.

ROB'T H. GRAHAM,

feb 2-3t* 409 Pa. av , near 4½ st., and 374 D st. SELLING OFF-CLOSING OFF.

GREAT SACRIFICE IN PRICES.

30 PER CENT. DEDUCTION in prices of LADIBS' CLOARS, LADIES CIRCULARS. LADIES' COATS, LADIES' BASQUINES. LADIES' SACQUES, LADIES'CHES: ERFIBLDS MAXWELLS at Cloak and Fancy Store, 325 Penn's avenue. Jaso eost

BALLS, PARTIES, &c. MARINI'S PASKIONABLE DANCING
ACADEMY.
TEMPERANCE HALL, E st., bet. 9th and 19th sts.

The third quarter of the season will commence on THURSDAY, Feb. 2, 1855. Days of Tuition—Ladies, Masters and Misses', Tues-THE SOCIAL OLUB SOIRED'S. MONDAY and THURSDAY EVENING.

CITY ASSEMBLY ROOMS,

12th street and Chic avenue.

Tickets \$1 to be had at the door. Dancing commencing at 9 o'clock p. m. ja 20 1m*

LOST AND FOUND. REWARD—A Black Newfoundland DOG.

Address Red House, corner ist and 0 streets,
opposite Baltimore and Ohio Depot. fe3 St*

B S REWARD-Lost, on Wednesday night last, the at Grover's Theater, or between it and 410 E street, opposite Temperance Hall, a FUR COLLAR. I will give the above reward if left at 410 E st. [fe 3-3t'] M BERRY. OST-A small black and tan TERRIER SLUT, had on a small leather collar. Any one returning the same to Room No 9 Pay Department, 316 E street, near Grover's Theater, will be liberally rewarded.

OST-In the Tressury Department, on the 2d instant, a PORTMONNAIE, containing about \$55 in greenbacks and two drafts, one on a Schepectady bank for \$40. The finder will be suitably rewarded on leaving it with RUFUS LEIGHTON, Secretary's office, Treasury Department. fe 5-3t* CSP-Yesterday, about 12 m. between the Treasury and Wa Department a MEMORAN-DUM BOOK containing order on Mr. Godey for ice for the use of the Adjutant General's Office. The finder will confer a great favor by leaving it at the west door of the War Department building. fe3

JOSEPH McQUCKIAN.

LOST - On Wednesday morning, a POUKET BOOK containing about \$33, amongst which were a \$20 greenback, a \$1 note of the State o Connectiont; it also contained a counterfeit \$5 Confederate note and business cards of the firm of John C Fry A liberal reward will be paid the finder by leaving it at 447 Penn'a av., bet. 3d and

1 OST-Near Soldiers' Rest. Washington, D. C.

Japuary 29, 18-5 a leather-bound HAND
TRUNK, containing one military dress suit and
sash; also, the papers of Company G, 177th O, V.

I: also, a Captain's Commission. The Trunk is
new; no mark on it. Any information of the above
will be thankfully received and liberally rewarded
by me, at Seminary Hospital, Georgetown, D C.

WM. VESY. Captain Company G, 177th O. V 1.

OFT—On Sunday night, 29th ultimo, between 12th and C streets south, and 13th street Baptici Church, one 24 Black FUR OAPE. A suitable reward will be given by leaving it at the corner of 12th and C sts., Island. LOST-On Friday night last, on F street, near 21st. cr on 21st, between F street and Pa. av., a Point Lace HANDKERCHIEF, for which a lib eral reward will be paid if eft at 84 Pa. av., near 21st st. fe 2 3t*

5 REWARD.—Strayed or stolen on or about the 12th of January, a BLACK CGW, with horns, white under the belly, with holes bered through the horn- near the head, with bell and chain collar. I will give the above reward if delivered to me on Latreet, bet 23d and 24th fe 2-3t* MARCKLLUS HOLTZMAN.

GEORGETOWN ADVER'MTS

MOTICE — There will be an Adjourand Meeting of the Georgetown Draft Association held on SATURDAY EVENING, the 4th instant, at 7½ o'clock, at the Georgetown Oustom House, to afford all persons liable to draft an opportunity of becoming members, and thereby ecuring themselves exemption from the same.

GEORGE HILL, Jr., President.

E. SHOEMAKER, Secretary. E. SHOEMAKER, Secretary.

ATTENTION! THE DRAFT!! Let every man whose name is on the list in Georgetown see to it that all his acquaintances

liable to enrollment are also for thus his chances of being taken will be les Aliens, those enrolled elsewhere, and those claiming exemption from any cause, should at once call upon the Provost Marshal, (corner of 18th and I streets, prove their claims, and have their names taken from the list, as it will be too late after the draft takes place. All are personally interested; let all help.

Apply to Jesse Hicks. Walter Prather. Francis A Burrows, John T. Shaw, of the Eighth Sub-District.

Basil Burrows, Daniel Collins, Joseph Nicholson, John B. Davis, of the Ninth Sub-District.

By order of the Committee to Correct the Enrollment of Georgetown.

Jan 28-eo3t [Chron.] Chairman.

THE DRAFT IN GEORGETOWN.—The Georgetewn Braft Association has been organized and is new fairly started

Forty dollars, payable in installments previous Forty dollars, payable in installments previous to the Braft, will undoubtedly protect every member from the same.

There will be a meeting of the Association every WEDNESDAY EVENING, at 7% o'clock, at the Georgetown Custom House, Congress st, above Bridge, where and when all the residents of Georgetown (Eighth and Ninth sub districts) who wish to do so may become members of the Association. The Treasurer will be in attendance to receive

installments.
All interested are earnestly invited to come and help themselves; the time is short and delay is dangerous. By order:

GEO HILL, JR., Prasident.
ED. SHOEMAKER, Secretary. jan 4-lm SELLING OFF AT REDUCED PRICES

No. 119 Bridge street, Georgetown, D. C. SMOOT & BURROUGHS will commence this day selling off their entire stock of DRY GOODS—the most of which is fresh and desirable—at reduced prices, and as they desire to reduce it to a very low point by 1st of March, invite all who are seeking bargains to give them an early call.

REALLY CHEAP DRY GOODS. AT S. M. MEYENBERG'S.

Having bought the entire remaining stock of the lately retired firm of Messrs. J. Y. Poitier, Marta. no & Co., of New York, at a lo price for cash. with a deduction of 5 per cent., I will sell the whole stock at prices named on the bill below, still leaving a profit of 5 per cent to myself, and to the public the greatest bargains.

The sale will commence MONDAY, Jan. 30th, until sold.

The following is a copy of the original bill : 320 yards Bleached Cottons \$25 35.... do do 45.... 284 28 52.... 1,096 68 do ----794 do do 54334 do Canton Flannel 94 do fine Saxony Flannels 90 ... 162 do 4 4 yas Bl Shi t Linen 100 ... 50 doz Linen Handkerchiefs. 159.
30 do do do 300.
Lot Hem-stitched Mourning do.
45 Borld Bro, Linen Table Cloths. 150.
10 doz Linen Towels. 500. ## 150 ps do 65. 305 50

A lot Blankets, various kinds. 102 37

60 pair fine Plush Ladies' Gloves. 100. 60 00

72 do Kid Gioves. 125. 90 00

144 do Black Lisle Thread Gloves. 20. 28 30

25 doz Ladies' White Hose(37½ pr) 4 50. 112 50

145 pack Pins 6c. paper). 72 104 40

1,500 doz. Best Coat's Ootlon. 1 45. 1740 00

60 yards Black Eilk. 1 25. 75 00

121 do Colored Silk. 1 59. 150 00

Various other goods. 573 13 Various other goods..... * \$13,058 12 Discount, 5 per cent.....

Received Payment.

J. Y. POITIER, MARTANO & CO. The whole of the bill will be sold at the above prices, without deviation, and without discount. S. M. MEYENBERG'S, at No. 48 Market Space,

(Under the Avenue House.) My stock of LAUIES' FURS, OLOAKS and DRY GGODS will also be sold at much reduced prices.

bet. 7th and 8th sts.

TEN PER CENT. OFF FOR CASH.

All purchasers of DRY GOODS should not forget that we are selling off our stock at the regular rates, and taking off ten cents on the dollar when the meney is paid at the time of purobase.

We have on hand a splendid stock of BLACK LYONS SILK VELVETS. Elegant MOIRE ANTIQUES and other Silks. Franch MERINOS and REPS. Blegant BLACK GOODS of all kinds CLOTHS AND CASSIMERES. BLANKETS, FLANNELS, TABLE DAMASK. NAPKINS, TOWELINGS and DOMESTIC GOODS of all kinds, which we are selling cheap, as we wish to take stock some time in February.

W. M. SHUSTER & BRO., No. 35 Market Space, . fe 1-3tif bet. 7th and 8th sts. FOR SALE-Desirable BUILDING LOTS in dif-ferent parts of the city. Inquire of WALL STEPHENS & CO., 322 Pa. av. jan 27 cotf

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. Jay Cooke & Ce. furnish the fellowing quotations of Government securities : WASHINGTON, Feb. 3, 1865

Buying. Selling U. S. 6's Coupon 1881.....109 NEW YORK-FIRST BOARD. Coupons, 1(9%; 5-20's, 108; 10-40's, 101; Certificates, 97%; Gold, 205%.

THE PEACE COMMISSIONERS AR-RIVE AT FORTRESS MONROE. Secretary Seward meets ... in There-Protracted Interview between Them.

been received by the arrival of the Fortres Monroe steamer: FORTRESS MONROE, Feb. 3.-Alexander H Stephens and several others of the peace com-

BALTIMORE, Feb. 3 .- The following has just

missioners arrived here this afternoon from City Point on General Grant's special despatch steamer M. Martin. Secretary Seward was there in the steamer River Queen awaiting their arrival, immediately upon which both vessels proceeded to an anchorage in the stream, side by side, and at

this writing, quarter-past 5 o'clock and as the

Louisiana leaves for Baltimore, they are still

out in the stream.

Capitol.

REBEL OFFICERS CAPTURED BY GENERAL SHERMAN. Yesterday evening, flity-three rebel officers, captured by Gen. Sherman, arrived here from Savannah. They include Gen. G. P. Harrison, a large number of colonels, majors, captains, lieutenants, and several naval officers,

all of whom have been committed to the Old

NEW DETECTIVE CORPS. A new detective corps of twenty-five men, to be attached to the Board of Enrollment of the District of Columbia, is now being thoroughly erganized by Capt. John Lee, late of Col Baker's force, and an officer of considerable experience in the business in New York and Philadelphia, as well as this city.

THE CORPS HOSPITALS. Within the past few days the corps hospitals of the Army of the Potomac have been cleared of all the sick and wounded, who have been sent to City Point, for transportation North.

REVOKED. The order of dishonorable muster out, in the case of Colonel E A. Starling, 35th Kentucky volunteers, has been revoked, and he has been accordingly honorably mustered out

DRAWING-ROOMS AND RECEPTIONS AT THE EXECUTIVE MANSION .- As Mrs. Lincoln will hold her weekly drawing-room to-morrow afternoon from 1 to 3 o'clock, and there will be a reception also by the President and Mrs Lincoln on Monday evening next, from 8% to Il o'clock, it may be seasonable to remind visitors of the hints that have heretofore been given in regard to dress. Undoubtedly there has been a marked improvement in this respect this season; yet on the last occasion of the kind the observance of the usages of good society was by no means universal.

MRS. HENRY S. FOOTE -This lady, who has been stopping at Willard's since her arrival within our lines, has gone to her relatives in Tennessee, by permission of the authorities.

THE WEEKLY STAR, on our counter, and in wrappers ready for the mails, contains details of the peace commission, results of Mr. Blair's visit to Richmond, interesting news from Grant, Sherman, Thomas, and Fort Fisher. full particulars of the navat fight on James river, the Constitutional amendment abolishing slavery, the Treasury Department tragedy, proceedings of Congress and the Courts, Foreign News, Editorial correspondence, highly interesting locals, latest telegraphic dispatches, and the choicest selections of literary, agricultural and domestic miscellaney.

THE PARROTT GEN .- The naval committee appointed to investigate the circumstances connected with the explosion of the Parrott guns reported that of 703 Parrott guns of all calibres, twenty-one have burst, or been otherwise injured by explosion. They ascribe these accidents to various causes, such as the use of compressed powder, of unsuitable projectiles, as required by the ordnance instructions, and keeping guns two long loaded. The explosion of shells is, however, the main cause. They recommend experiments to place the matter beyond dispute, and decide the question of retaining the Parrott guns in use.

J. Q. THOMPSON, Esq., formerly of Indiana. and for several years an examiner of claims in the Pension Office, has resigned a third-class clerkship. He proposes establishing in this city a National War-Claim, Patent and Real Estate Agency, in all branches of which he will have superior facilities, resulting from his practical experience and his business connections in all parts of the country, in Washington and in the army.

The Richmond Papers Exercised-No Submission, no Compromise-Independence or the Last Ditch-Frantic Appeals to the People.

The Richmond papers of the 31st make frantic appeals to the Confederate people not to listen to any terms of compromise short of Confederate independence. The Enquirer says: "No matter what pledges and guarantees may be offered to seduce the people to lay down their arms, any termination of this war that does not secure our liberty and independence is failure, and a disgraceful and ruinous failare on our part. Any sacrifice which secures liberty and independence will be cheap when compared with the ruinous consequences of reconstruction. Better go down fighting, better be subjugated and conquered, than live to recollect that we brought our ruin upon our

heads by a deceptive reconstruction. The Sen'inel says that General Lee "said, on a recent occasion, that he was not insensible to our reverses and trials, but that he was, nevertheless, not only hopeful, but confident. Any compromise of our struggle, he further remarked, would prove only a truce or armistice, and would be an unmanly skrinking from present duty that would entail upon our children untold disasters."

The Sentinel goes on to say: - "The time when a movement for peace should commence to be agitated has always been looked to by consid. erate citizens as that at which our principal danger would begin.

"The roar of conflict rouses manly instincts, and steadies the nerves, but the faintest prospect of peace begets weariness of fatigues and discomforts of war, and a longing after repose that sometimes betrays men to their ruin, or entails disaster upon their children. They be-gin painfully to count those toils, and estimate those hardships which they have before borne with patience, and even enthusiasm. We trust the people of the Confederate States will show themselves sufficient to escape this peril. "We hope their purpose will remain firm, their demands fixed, their resolve steady. The terrors of war have not intimidated, let not the blandishment of peace seduce them. Let us not through any impatience show any giving way of our courage and breaking down of our virtue, or so much as entertain the slightest thoughts that look in the least degree lower than our unqualified independence. ----

CONGRESSIONAL. FRIDAY, February 27.

SENATE -The bill from the House to con-struct a ship canal around the Falls of Niagara was taken up. Mr. Morrill moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Trumbull thought the Military Committee was the proper reference, as the bill was a measure for defence as well as for commerce. The Military Committee had heretofore had charge of the subject, and had investigated it.

The bill was then referred to the Military

Committee. Mr. Grimes presented the petition of A. W. Arnold and other clerks of the Navy-Yard. praying an increase of compensation. Referred to the Finance Committee. Mr. Wilson moved to take up the bill reported

from the Military Committee in addition to the several acts for enrolling and calling out the national forces.

Mr. Trumbull objected if it would displace an unfinished business—the resolution declaring certain States not entitled to represent tatives in the Electeral College. It was most

tatives in the Electeral College. It was most important to dispose of this subject.

Mr. Wilson said he thought it of more importance to get soldiers than anything else as be understood that what was going on [referring to the peace commissioner rumors] had stopped enlistments all over the country.

He called for the yeas and nays; and his motion to take up the bill, in addition to the several enrollment acts, prevailed.

[The bill allows a person who is enrolled and

liable to draft to be accepted as a substitute for a drafted person, the latter to be exempt for such time as the substitute shall be held to service under the terms of his enlistment,

The bill was read, and then made the order for I o'clock to morrow.

Mr. Dixon called up the bill to amend the act to incorporate the Metropolitan Street Railroad Company. The District Committee's amendment chang-

ing the route of the Georgetown branch of the road so as to run along Green street from Water to Gay street, (instead of Montgomery street,) was adopted. The amendment to the 2d section, allowing the directors to sell the stock of subscribers

when delinquent on any instalment, was objected to by Messrs. Farwell and Conness as giving too much power. There should be only so much sold as would pay the delinquent instalment-otherwise a person, who had already paid up a large portion on bis stock might have it unjustly sacrificed. The section was passed over for the time.

A further amendment, requiring the company to give only sixteen tickets, instead of twenfive, for a dollar, was adopted. The bill was then laid aside. House.-The House passed several private

On motion of Mr. Stevens the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union, and took up the Navy Ap-

Mr. Davis, of Maryland, spoke in favor of an amendment heretofore offered by him, proposing the establishment of a board of admiralty He reviewed the naval forces, drawing conclu sions that we are not the great naval power that some officials and newspapers would make us believe. He spoke of the failure of the Navy Department in the building of war vessels, and at length advocated a board of admiralty to remedy and guard against similar future disasters. The board is designed to advise the Executive as to naval organization and administration. Mr. Davis condemned the doubleenders, because, he said, their machinery is exposed, and occupied his hour in the examination of our navy and kindred subjects.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Burleigh, the Lake Erie Raider, Delivered to the U. S. Authorities. QUEBEC, Feb. 3.—Burleigh, the Lake Erie raider, was delivered to the U.S. Provost Marshal at Suspension Bridge, New York.

this morning at 4 o'clock. The alien law was read a third time and passed the Lower House last night by 107 yeas to 7 nays.

West Virginia ratifies the Amendment to

the Constitution.

WHEELING, VA., Feb 3 .- The Congressional amendment abolishing slavery throughout the United States, was unanimously ratified by both branches of the West Virginia Legislature to day.

Three Young Women Killed by an Explo-

sion,

Boston, Feb. 3 -An explosion occurred in Yarmouth yesterday, in the pyrotechnic mannfactory of S. E. Hunt, by which three young women were killed and one bad'y injured.

Pennsylvania Ratifies the Amendment

HARRISBURG, Feb. 3 .- The Senate has rati-

fied the amendment to the Constitution. The

House is debating the question.

LOCAL NEWS.

ILLEGA . RECRUITING - Yesterday, Mark Harrington, a recruiting agent at large for the State of New York, was arrested in Alexan. dria by Detective Norwood, and turned over to the authorities here, for recruiting and enbia and crediting them to New York; among the number Joseph Collins, Edward Stewar Walter B. Donnelly and John Stewart, all of whom the accused enlisted in the 2d Discrict regiment. The parties named above have made affidavits setting forth the facts in the case, in which Harrington is charged with having persuaded them to claim to be Virginians when presented for examination, after they informed him that they belonged to Washington. Charges and specifications have been, or will be preferred against Harrington, and

he will doubtless be tried by a military commission. This business of running recruits out of the District has been carried on to a great extent of late, and the authorities have determined to put a stop to it. Within the past few days the following arrests of parties have been made by the military detectives:

Emanuel Boswell, arrested for attempting to take enrolled men from this city to Baltimore for the purpose of enlisting them in the Wm. Cecil, arrested for illegally recruiting two enrolled men, named W. H. Carman and

John Heck, in the District for credit of another John Herold, arrested for illegal recruiting two men named John Demick and Jeorge Frush for the credit of another State - Hawkins, arrested at Long Bridge for illegally recruiting three enrolled men, Geo. Brooks, James Henry Clare, and Samuel smith, for credit of another State. Also, John Doud, for illegal recruiting.

Depositions have been taken in the cases, and the parties either placed in the Central Guardhouse or released upon ball in large amounts

WASHINGTON AND BALTIMORE. - Wm. Prescott Smith, Esq., Master of Transportation, Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, who has shown himself equal to any emergency, from transporting an army at short notice, to rebuilding a guerrilla-smashed-railroad within 40 minutes, gives indication in the following extract from a private letter that in the discharge of his multifarious duties he has yet time to give thought to Washington interests. He says: "By the way, are you aware of the fact that when I got a private dispatch the other day, that the War Department was burning, I at once conceived the plan of getting up a special train, and arranging with our fire department here to send ever one or two of the steam fireengines, with their hose, &c., in order to extin-guish the flames? We had such arrangements made as would have ensured the arrival in Washington, within two hours of our getting the first information, of a steam fire apparatus and the men to work it, complete. "I want you to mention this to your Chief of Police and to Mayor Wallach, more as a suggestion to them of what can be done, in an emergency hereafter, in case you have a seri-ous fire in Washington, and tell them it is one the results of the completion of our doubletrack, which enables us the more certainly to get extra trains through without delay."

CONCERT BY THE FEMALE DEPARTMENT, THIRD DISTRICT SCHOOLS -Last night the pupils of the female department of the Third District schools, assisted by some of the pupils of the male grammar schools, gave a concert in the hall of the Wallach school building, in the the Third Ward The hall was densely packed with auditors, and even the doorways and passages were thronged with persons desiring to obtain admission. About 8 o'clock it became necessary to close the outer door, and it is estimated that at least 500 persons were turned

away. The concert was a great success, and the performers acquitted themselves so well that it would be invidious to particularize. Professor Daniel, the music teacher, concluded the exercises. Some beautiful tableaux concluded the performances.

The hall was tastefully decorated with wreaths and festoons of evergreens. In the front of the hall and over the stage was a wreath and eagle, and the motto, "I will," all formed of evergreens. Over the west door were the words, "The Army and Navy;" over the east door, "The Union Forver," and in rear of the hall, "Wallach Hall," all the letters being formed of evergreen. The hall was further decorated with flags.

THE POST OFFICE STAMP ROBBERY .- As We stated yesterday, the District Attorney entered a nolle prosin the cases of B F. Wilkins, Simon Straus and George W. Alexander, indicted for violating the post office laws-one indictment against the three and two separate indictments against the first named. It w. . be recollected that Wilkins and Alexander were clerks in the Post Office Department and were arrested on the charge of abstracting stamps, which, it is alleged, were disposed of in Philadelphia through one Simon Straus, and the latter was subsequently arrested. Alexander's case was subsequently dismissed, and he made an affi-davit in relation to the affair, after which he went to Philadelphia to appear against Straus. No indictment was found against Straus in the Philadelphia court and the Postmaster General, after using every means in the power of the Department to discover any evidence against Wilkins and failing, requested that the case might be dismissed.

Mr. Wilkins has many friends in this city who could not believe him guilty of the charges alleged, and who will rejoice in seeing his good name thus fully re-established.

MEETING OF THE POLICE COMMISSIONERS. Yesterday a ternoon the Board of Police Commissioners met in their rooms on 10th st., near D. The resignation of Lewis P. Sevoold of the Second precinct, was accepted. Albert G. Tur-ner was appointed a patrolman in the Sixth precinct, vice G. A. Parkhurst, dismissed: W. Lowe, in the 10th precinct, vice Chas. Kutzner, dismissed; John Owens, in the 8th precinct vice John Connolly, dismissed; Andrew Roth, in the 2d precinct, vice L. P. Seybold, resigned. Lewis P. Seybold was appointed an operator in the police telegraph department.

SECOND WARD STATION CASES.—Patrick Taylor and Catharine Townsend, disorderly; \$4.50 each. John McGee, drunk; \$1.50. Geo. W. Smith, J. J. Sullivan, Wm. Sweeney, do. and disorderly; military. Samuel Proctor, violating back law; \$2. F. Tredley and S. Daws, fighting: \$3 each. James Johnson, drunk; dismissed. Daniel McManamor. do and disorderly; \$3. Richard Spates, disorderly; \$8: also vagrancy: \$100 bail not to become a charge to the Corporation. become a charge to the Corporation. Wm. Hill, disorderly; \$5. Peter Hill, do.; dismissed. John Jones, concealed weapons; \$26.50: also disorderly; \$4.80: also highway robbery; for hearing. Thos. Fallen, disorderly; \$4.50. Jao. Hines. alias Webb, do.; \$5.50. Mollie Williams, do.; Workhouse. Margaret Machin,

ARRESTED .- The detectives have been for some time in search of John Jones, colored, who is charged with being concerned with Lemuel Beckett, colored backman, in the robtery of Mr. S. B. Corbitt of \$400, on the 26th of January. Last night, offiber Holbrook, of the Second Ward, arrested him for disorderly conduct and carrying concealed weapons, for which he was fined \$25 by Justice Boswell. He was then delivered to detective Clarvoe, to take his trial with Beckett, who is now in jail for court, as stated in the Star yesterday. Jones is held at the police headquarters for hearing.

ROBBERY .- Yesterday, George Bell (colored) got into a quarrel with some companions at the St. Nichelas Restaurant, and having taken off his coat for a fight, on picking it up again, discovered that his po ket book was gone. Search was made, and the book found on the floor, but stripped of its contents, amounting to \$60. Detectives Bigley and Kelley arrested Samuel Woodyard on suspicion, and took him before Justice Ciayton, who held the accused for a further hearing THE SACRED CONCERT of the German Ratiof

Association promises to be a brilliant affair. Mr. Mills, who is to make his last appearance in Washington, has always been a great favor. ite bere, and who has been engaged by Mr. Ullman for a concert tour through Europe in company of Carlotta Patti and Mons. Vieuxtemps, the violinist. STEALING WHISKY -Thomas Bradford (col-

ored) was arrested yesterday by Detectives Kelley and Bigley, charged with stealing liquors from his employers at the Philadelphia Restaurant, on Pennsylvania avenue, and 13 held for a hearing.

HUNGARIAN INVALID SOLDIERS .- Surgeons of hospitals are requested to inform Mr. Willian, 336 Pennsylvania avenue, of any cases in their knowledge of sick Hungarians, hat he may afford them aid.

BLITZ .- The well-known and favorite magician, Signor Blitz, will appear at Odd Fellows' Hall. Monday evening, with new and startling illusions, ventritoquism, and his

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THE WARRHOUSE MARKET .- The butchers association have nearly completed the paving of the interior of the building, assigned for their own use. The white washing will be commenced next week, and very soon after they will proceed to the location of stands for hueksters and other dealers who may choose to occupy this market with them. This market is the one intended to be independent of the Corporation market, and for which a petition has been presented to Congress to obtain the necessary authority.

FLOUR AND GRAIN MARKET .- The market quiet; demand principally to supply the local trade Supers are quoted at \$11.25 to \$11.50. Extras, \$11.75 to \$12. Grain.—No arrivals or sales reported.

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